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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Applicant:

Shunsuke SHUTO, et al.

Application Number:

09/990,075

Filing Date:

November 21, 2001

Title:

METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING

HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT

LIQUID CRYSTAL FILM,

HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT

LIQUID CRYSTALLINE **COMPOSITION AND**

HOMEOTROPIC ALIGNMENT

LIQUID CRYSTAL FILM

Examiner Name:

Erik J. Kielin

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Katsuhiro Arai, Reg. No. 43,315

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Mail Stop RCE Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

- 1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:
 - Previously submitted: (X)
 - (X) Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 9, 2004.
 - (X) Enclosed:
 - (X) Response to Advisory Action in four (4) pages.
 - (X) Return Postcard
- 2. Fees:
 - (X) RCE fee \$770 large entity
 - Extension of Time fee: (X)
 - (X) Two Month (\$420)

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- 3. Payment:
 - (X) Check in the amount of \$1,190.00 to cover the above fees.
 - (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, now or in the future, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Advisory Action March 3, 2004. The request for continuing examination (RCE) has been filed in the above-identified application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.